

1-9-06

INTRODUCTIONS-Team Members present were: Vickie Jones, Gene Sanford, Terry Suttles, Judge Willis, Judge Pflum, and Jean Cates

Unable to attend were: Barbara Baumgartner (Foster Parent), Luanne Jennings (GAL/CASA) and Judge Williams

DRAFT PROTOCOL-The team had no questions or comments regarding the draft Regional Services Council Protocol.

REGIONAL TRAINING-Vickie Jones discussed the possibility of having presentations made to the council to assist in understanding the process and funding streams of child welfare. One area suggested was regarding the new funding for Community Partnership for Child Safety. This is a process for developing community relations- working with community team to help reduce placements (schools, probation, etc.). We could possibly invite a county that has such a team.

Another topic could be someone to explain the funding Streams (IV-B, Kid's First etc.)

TITLE IV-B and other FUNDING-Combined Regional team will select providers after the local offices have reviewed. Vote will be in Feb. meeting

HANDOUT-service standards were discussed. It was noted that future services will need to meet the service standards and we will need to identify services that are not included so that a service standard can be developed.

HANDOUTS- Allocations and blank list for listing selected providers and services. Region 12 totals, list of providers and amounts requested, score sheet and instructions.

Turnaround time for scoring is short. The process is that each county will have at least two people review their county proposals. The Directors will get together and make recommendations to the team for county proposals and regional proposals. We have until 1-20 to get corrections and additional info. Our deadline to vote is Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

We will not need to review the proposals for services that we did not request. Vickie listed the required services that we will be reviewing. (Independent Living, Community Partners for Child Safety, Foster Parent Training, Intensive Family Preservation and Reunification Services and Adoption Promotion and Support.)

If there is a proposal for another county that we would like we can ask if they will provide this for us also. There are specific dollar amounts for each county. We still have the option of moving money from county to county if usage is below budget.

Wayne County Child Welfare Services funds summary was distributed. Terry Settles motioned to approve the funds listed for Wayne County. Jennifer Munden seconded. Committee voted to approve.

Henry County Child Welfare Services Request-Homemaker through New Castle Schools for \$24,500. Probation program adventure based counseling no proposal yet.

Fayette County Request- \$37,877 for probation day reporting. Gene Sanford motion, Jennifer Munden 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved both Henry and Fayette

The odd terms of funding (Federal, State and county) will all be aligned with the county fiscal year over the next 18 months.

QUESTIONS: Discussion and clarification of standards.

FUTURE MEETING SUGGESTIONS: next month review current recommendations  
Compile a list of what counties are currently expending for services to assist with future planning.

(Next agenda-statewide institutional contract and individual placement agreement)

Next meeting will be to review and make decisions regarding the recommendations of the counties. The actual recommendations will not be known prior to the meeting. Should we meet in a larger place? Add agenda item for public comment.

Members need to get a "Conflict of Interest" list to Vickie (this would include and board memberships or affiliations with any bidding providers). Need to refrain from voting on those proposals. Those reviewing proposals should not review proposals if they sit on the agencies board or feel they have a conflict.

Let Vickie know if there is any topics for next meeting that you did not think of.  
Legislative updates could be added.

Adjourned at 4:45 PM. The next meeting will be the second Monday in Feb. at 3:30 at the Fayette County DCS.